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Mr. Lewis T. Huff  
U.S. Secret Service  
P.O. Box 245  
Columbia, S.C.

Dear Mr. Huff:

Shortly after the shooting of President John F. KENNEDY on November 22, 1963, the District Intelligence Office, Charleston, S.C. was informed that one Robert C. RAWLS had information relative to the assassination. RAWLS was then a patient at the U.S. Naval Hospital, Charleston, S.C. He was interviewed by a representative of the Office of Naval Intelligence from about 1610 to about 1645, and stated substantially as follows:

He was in a bar in New Orleans, La. ten days to two weeks ago when he heard a man try to bet \$100.00 that President KENNEDY would be dead within three weeks. He does not recall ever seeing the man before and is not certain he would recognize the man if he saw him again. He admits being somewhat intoxicated and said the man also was in an intoxicated condition. He advised that, at the time, he paid no attention to the man because he thought "it was just drunk talk and a drunk will bet on anything." However, he said after the shooting of the President, it occurred to him there may have been meaning to the remark and he thought it should be reported to authorities. Recalling, he said the man who was attempting to place the bet was dressed like "a working man", but beyond that he could offer no description. He stated he does not recall a bet was actually made. Further, he advised he does not recall the name of the bar he was in when he heard the remark. He said he frequents bars within a four or five block radius of the 2200/2300-block of Canal Street, New Orleans, La., and he often goes to two or three bars in an evening. He thinks this particular bar was just off Canal Street, and he knows he frequently goes to Freddie's Bar and the Straight Day Bar in this area. He said on the particular night he heard the remark, he remembers an ex-Navy friend, Bob TANNER, and TANNER's girl friend were with him. He does not know if either of them heard the bet attempt, and he does not recall that they discussed it. He thinks TANNER and his girl friend may have been away from the table or the booth at the time the remark was made. The man offering the bet was not at a table, but was at the bar. He did not hear anyone call the man by name. He does not know TANNER's New Orleans address and does not know the name of TANNER's girl friend. He said, however, she works as a waitress at the Meal-a-Minute on Canal Street. RAWLS, a white male, gave his full name as Robert Collum RAWLS, and his address as 2037 Cleveland St., New Orleans, La. He said he is a former Navy quartermaster third class and

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his serial number is 636-84-38. He stated he is presently employed as an attendant at Mayfield's Gulf Service Station, Canal and Broad Streets, New Orleans, La. He said he generally does not get off from work in the evenings until 2000 at which time he usually visits the bars. He said it was about 2100 or 2200 on the evening in question, when the man attempted to place the bet on the life of the President.

U.S. Naval Hospital authorities at Charleston, S.C. indicated [RAWLS] was at Charleston to undergo an evaluation physical. They stated when results of this physical are compiled, a disability evaluation board will study said results to determine the extent of [RAWLS] handicap. The authorities advise [RAWLS] medical problem was mainly orthopedic, however, they said he does have a psychiatric past of "passive-aggressive reaction with hostile tendencies." They stated persons with this psychiatric problem are generally reliable and are considered to be sane.

[RAWLS] was scheduled to return to his home at New Orleans on about November 22, 1963.

Forwarded for information and as a "follow-up" to the telephonic briefing made on November 22, 1963.

E. L. McINTOSH, JR.

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921B *seen*  
 921Y *seen*  
 921Z *me*  
 921 *agg*

NO NISG ARL  
 THIS IS DIO-8ND CHALLIS  
 INCHESTER  
 DIO-8ND TWX 262054Z NOV 63  
 TO DNI /ATTN CAPT JACKSON, OP-921/  
 SUBJ OSWALD, HARVEY LEE  
 REF /A/ DIO-8ND 119 DTD 4 JUN 63, SUBJ POPE, TRACEY THURLO,  
 5992944, AA, USN 6ND -386-6/J/-1,  
 ROBERT KERMIT PATTERSON, ADMITTED 6J WHOSE INTERVIEW REPORTED IN  
 REF /A/ CONTACTED RA DALLAS ABOUT 1330 CST TODAY AND SAID HE HAD  
 INFO IN RE ASSASSINATION PRESIDENT KENNEDY. PATTERSON SAID HE  
 AND ONE DONALD C. STULXX STUART OPERATED CONTRACT ELECTRONICS,  
 2533 ELM, DALLAS. ABOUT 2 WEEKS AGO JACK RUDYXX RUBY /AJXX  
 /AKA RUBENSTEIN/ AND SUBJ VISITED CONTRACT ELECTRONICS AND WANTED  
 WORK DONE ON MICROPHONES AT RUBY'S CAROUSEL WITE CLUB, DALLAS.  
 ON THIS OCCASION, RUBY TOLD OSWALD TO WRITE NAMES OF PATTERSON  
 AND STUART IN CAROUSEL GUEST BOOK. CONTRACT ELECTRONICS DID  
 REQUESTED MIKE WORK AT CAROUSEL AND WERE PAID BY  
 NEGRO EMPLOYEE, M/. SRA DALLAS HAS YXX TAKEN PATTERSON TO  
 FBI DALLAS FOR FURTHER INTERROGATION. NEITHER STUART NOR  
 PATTERSON HAS DISCUSSED ABOVE INFO WITH ANYONE ELAXX ELSE,  
 ACCORDING TO PATTERSON. FILES DIO-8ND NEGATIVE ON STUART.  
 PLS  
 PLS-HOLD-FOR ANOTHER TWX  
 OK

*Above passed  
 to Capt Ellison  
 Barker - 1310 Fine date  
 Cdw - 27 Nov 63*

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Subj: OSWALD, Lee Harvey (DECEASED)

NCISC-23/crs

ONI-2852-7(b)

1. This investigation was predicated upon the request of the Judge Advocate General of 30 April 1964 with Commandant of the Marine Corps First Endorsement of 7 May 1964.
2. Enclosure (1) to reference (a) reflects that two former marines, Richard CALL and Donald CARNARATA, provided information to the Warren Commission tending to suggest that Subject may have been implicated in the death of Private Martin D. SCHRAND, 1639694, USMC, on 5 January 1958 at Cubi Point in the Republic of the Phillipines. As a result thereof the Commission requested the assistance of the Department of the Navy in locating and interviewing CALL and CARNARATA. The Commission further requested that LCDR Clark B. WALBRIDGE, USN-RET, former Security Officer of NAS, Cubi Point, R.P., be interviewed concerning his knowledge of SCHRAND's death in light of the above information and that a series of tests be conducted on a Winchester Model 12 Riot Type shotgun, the same model in SCHRAND's possession at the time of his death, in an attempt to determine if it is possible to discharge the weapon by a jar or drop on the receiver section with the safety in an "off safe" position.
3. On 15 May 1964, Mr. John ELY, Attorney, Warren Commission, VFW Building, Washington, D.C., was interviewed to obtain complete identifying data concerning CALL and CARNARATA, supra. At that time Mr. Ely advised that it was no longer necessary for either man to be interviewed and that he would initiate correspondence cancelling that portion of the Commission's request for investigative assistance. He explained that he had personally spoken with both CALL and CAMARATA and that neither could provide any information pertinent to the Commission's inquiry. He thereupon provided the following identifying data from the Commission's files:

Richard Dennis CALL  
Res: [R.D.#1, Hellertown, Pennsylvania]  
Mil. Ser: U.S.M.C., September 1956 to December 1959  
Ser. No: 1592849

Donald Peter CAMARATA  
Res: [601 Burlingame Avenue, Capitola, California]  
Mil. Ser: U.S.M.C., Discharged September 1959  
Ser. No: Unknown
4. Subsequently on 18 May 1964, Mr. Ely telephonically confirmed the fact that CALL and CAMARATA need not be interviewed and advised that Mr. J. Lee RANKIN, Counsel for the Commission would so advise Capt. Mack K. GREENBERG of the Office of the Navy Judge Advocate General.

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